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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

"Working the Dark Side"

By Rosa Brooks

"We ... have to work the dark side, if you will," Vice President Dick Cheney told NBC's Tim Russert, five days after the 9/11 terrorist attacks. "We've got to spend time in the shadows using sources and methods that are available to our intelligence agencies. That's the world [terrorists] operate in, and so it's going to be vital for us to use any means at our disposal."

But throughout our history - from John Winthrop's 1630 "City Upon a Hill" sermon - our leaders have been quick to assure us of the opposite premise: We will prevail against our enemies because (and only if) we're on the side of light, rather than the side of darkness. We will prevail not through spending "time in the shadows" but through our commitment to freedom, democracy, justice and the rule of law.

Granted, previous rhetorical commitments to the side of light were at times accompanied by some pretty dark episodes. But our public commitments at least gave us a yardstick for measuring ourselves - and declared to the world our willingness to be held to account when we fell short.

In keeping with Cheney's admonition to "work the dark side," this administration has openly embraced tactics that no previous administration would have formally condoned. Formerly we granted the protections of the Geneva Convention to our enemies, even when those enemies - like the Viet Cong - lacked any legal claim to the convention's protections. Yes, some U.S. soldiers abused Viet Cong prisoners anyway - but when they did so, they violated the clear written laws and policies of the United States.

Contrast that with the administration that refused to recognize

any Geneva Convention rights for the "unlawful enemy combatants" captured in the war on terror, until ordered to do so by the Supreme Court.

Within months of Cheney's "dark side" comments, the Justice Department developed legal defenses of torture, we opened secret prisons in former Soviet bloc countries and the president authorized secret "enhanced" interrogation methods for "high-value" detainees.

Cheney's still getting his way. On July 20, President Bush issued an executive order "interpreting" Common Article 3 of the Geneva Convention, as applied to secret CIA detention facilities. On its face, the order bans torture - but it does so using language so vague it appears designed to create loopholes for the CIA.

Last week's executive order breaks new ground by outlining the category of people who can be detained secretly and indefinitely by the CIA - in a way that's broad enough to include a hefty chunk of the global population. Under its terms, a non-U.S. citizen may be secretly detained and interrogated by the CIA - with no access to counsel and no independent monitoring - as long as the CIA director believes the person "to be a member or part of or supporting Al Qaeda, the Taliban or associated organizations; and likely to be in possession of information that could assist in detecting, mitigating or preventing terrorist attacks [or] in locating the senior leadership of Al Qaeda, the Taliban or associated forces."

Got that? The president of the United States just declared that the CIA has the authority to detain any person anyplace in the world and subject him or her to secret interrogation techniques that aren't torture but that nonetheless can't

be revealed, as long as that person is thought to be a "supporter" of an organization "associated" in some unspecified way with the Taliban or Al Qaeda, and as long he thinks that person might know something that could "assist" us.

But "supporter" isn't defined, nor is "associated organization", leaving the definition broad enough to permit the detention of, say, a Taliban sympathizer who might have overheard something useful in a neighborhood cafe, or of a 10-year-old girl whose older brother once trained with Al Qaeda.

This isn't just hypothetical. The U.S. has already detained people based on little more. According to media reports, the CIA has even held children, including the 7- and 9-year-old sons of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed. In 2006, Mohammed was transferred from a secret CIA facility to Guantanamo, but the whereabouts of his children are unknown.

It's dark out there, all right.
-- L.A. Times, July 27, 2007

IRS Fails to Cite Law

Tom Cryer, a Shreveport, LA, trial attorney who has refused to file tax returns for years was acquitted July 11, 2007, of evasion and willful failure to file charges filed against him by the federal government. At the trial Tom told the jury that there is no law making him liable for the income tax; that his fees, personally earned by his own labor, were not "income" as defined by the Supreme Court; and that if any income was derived from his labor any such income is exempt (and excluded by the code and regulations) because they are derived from a non-taxable activity, i.e., the exercise of a God-given fundamental right, our Constitutionally

protected right to earn a living by any lawful occupation.

-- See www.liefreezone.com; www.truthattack.org; www.youtube.com and enter "Tom Cryer" in the search box

Black Preacher Speaks His Mind

By Rev. Jesse Lee Peterson

Say a hurricane is about to destroy the city you live in. Two questions:

What would you do?

What would you do if you were black?

To the first: Most of us would take our families out of that city quickly to protect them from danger. Then, able-bodied men would return to help others in need, as wives and others cared for children, elderly, infirm and the like.

For better or worse, Hurricane Katrina has told us the answer to the second question. If you're black and a hurricane is about to destroy your city, you'll probably wait for the government to save you.

Prior to 40 years ago, such a pathetic performance by the black community in a time of crisis would have been inconceivable. The first response would have come from black men. They would take care of their families, bring them to safety, and then help the rest of the community. Then local government would come in.

No longer. When 75 percent of New Orleans residents had left the city, it was primarily immoral, welfare-pampered blacks that stayed behind and waited for the government to bail them out. This, as we know, did not turn out good results.

Enter Jesse Jackson and Louis Farrakhan who laid blame on "racist" President Bush. Farrakhan actually proposed the idea that the government blew up a levee so as to kill blacks and save whites. The two demanded massive governmental spending to rebuild New Orleans, above and beyond the federal government's proposed \$60 billion. Not only that, these two were positioning themselves as the gatekeepers to supervise the dispersion of funds. Perfect: Two of the most dishonest elite blacks in America, "overseeing" billions of dollars.

Of course, if these two were really serious about laying blame on government, they should blame the local one headed by the mayor of New Orleans. But Mayor Ray Nagin is the black who likes to yell at President Bush for failing to do Nagin's job. But as the

Washington *Times* puts it, "Recent reports show [Nagin] failed to follow through on his own city's emergency response plan, which acknowledged that thousands of the city's poorest residents would have no way to evacuate the city."

One wonders how there was "no way" for these people to evacuate the city. We have photographs showing 2,000 parked school buses, unused and underwater. How much planning does it require to put people on a bus and leave town, Mayor Nagin?

Instead of doing the obvious, Mayor Nagin (with no positive contribution from Gov. Kathleen Blanco, the other major leader vested with responsibility to address the hurricane disaster) loaded remaining New Orleans residents into the Superdome and the city's convention center. We know how that plan turned out.

About five years ago, in a debate before the National Association of Black Journalists, I stated that if whites were to just leave the United States and let blacks run the country, they would turn America into a ghetto within 10 years. The audience, shall we say, disagreed with me strongly. Now I have to disagree with me. I gave blacks too much credit. It took a mere three days for blacks to turn the Superdome and the convention center into ghettos, rampant with theft, rape and murder.

President Bush is not to blame for the rampant immorality of blacks. Had New Orleans' black community taken action, most would have been out of harm's way. But most were too lazy, immoral and trifling to do anything productive for themselves.

All Americans must tell blacks this truth. It was blacks' moral poverty, not their material poverty, that cost them dearly in New Orleans. Farrakhan, Jackson, and other race hustlers are to be repudiated for they will only perpetuate this problem by stirring up hatred and applauding moral corruption. New Orleans, to the extent it is to be rebuilt, should be remade into a dependency-free, morally strong city where corruption is opposed and success is applauded. Blacks are obligated to help themselves and not depend on the government to care for them. We are all obligated to tell them so.

-- Rev. Jesse Lee Peterson is president of BOND, the Brotherhood Organization of a New Destiny, and author of "Scam: How the Black Leadership Exploits Black America."

72-Hour Survival Pack

By Rich Johnson

One of the easiest ways to prepare for a drive through a remote area (or through nasty weather like a blizzard or a hurricane) is to assemble a 72-hour grab-and-go kit and keep it close at hand. I keep mine in a backpack and throw it in the truck when I'm traveling. Here's what it should contain.

Clothing: 3 sets of underwear, 3 pairs of socks, change of pants, 2 T-shirts, long-sleeved shirt, waterproof windbreaker, cap. **Food:** energy bars, gorp, 3 MREs, salt and pepper, utensils, paper plates and cups, P-38 can opener, small stove and fuel, cooking vessels.

Water: water purification system (or tablets), 2 liters in Nalgene bottles.

Hygiene: roll of toilet paper, disposable towelettes, toothbrush and toothpaste, bar of soap, liquid camp soap, shampoo, razor, towel and washcloth, deodorant, scissors, hairbrush, paper towels, hand sanitizer.

First aid: first-aid kit, bug repellent, sunscreen.

Shelter: lightweight tent, Space Blanket, extremely lightweight sleeping bag, Therm-a-Rest sleeping pad, emergency poncho.

Tools: flashlight (wind-up), wearable LED lights, fire starter, knife, rope, gloves, latrine trowel, FRS radios.

Miscellaneous: pen and notepad, tape, roll of quarters, spending money, photo IDs, ID tag for 72-hour kit, playing cards or other game.

Winter Safety Kit Keep this gear in your truck during winter in case of emergency: wool blanket, dry clothing, socks, boots, gloves, snacks and water, first-aid kit, flashlight with fresh batteries, flares, hand and/or body warmers, windshield scraper/broom, extra windshield-washer fluid, jumper cables or portable jump-starter, kitty litter or sand for traction, shovel, well-charged cell phone or CB radio.

Bad-Weather Driving Tip In bad-weather months, carry a bag or two of sand in the bed of your pickup to add weight, which will give you better traction in snow or on ice. If you get stuck, you can always spread some of the sand in front of the tires to help get the truck out.

— *Outdoor Life*, April 2007

In the beginning of change the patriot is a scarce man, brave, hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot. — Mark Twain

Get Whitey?

By H. Millard

The media have been talking incessantly about the motivations of mass murderer Seung Hui Cho at Virginia Tech. But few voices in media have dared to speak about what drove this Korean immigrant student to the intense hatred that led to the gory deaths of 32 students and faculty. Did race play a part in the worst mass killing in American history?

Increasing numbers of alienated people are like explosives waiting for someone to light their fuse. Cho's fuse was lit by minority attitudes that legitimize hatred, even violence against America and ultimately the White people who built it. At Virginia Tech and every other university in the U.S., there is an incessant mantra complaining of "White privilege" and "White racism." Check out the blogs and the statements of major organizations on almost any American campus. Any individual fault, shortcoming, or even crime is laid at the door of White people.

As the fine writer Steve Sailor wrote in recounting the words of an anonymous commentator: "I wonder how many times Cho heard the phrase 'white privilege' while he was at college?"

In fact Cho's presence at Virginia Tech is proof that there is no longer any "White privilege" in America. Cho was an English major and one only has to read his papers to quickly realize that his talents in the English language were appallingly poor. Does anyone not believe that better qualified European American students would have more competently filled his chair in the English classes he took? In fact Virginia Tech and all major universities in the U.S. have programs that blatantly discriminate against European Americans in admissions, graduate programs, and in the hiring of teachers and professors.

The discrimination can even be found in the news coverage of the tragic murders at Virginia Tech. Although the overwhelming majority of the slain (22 out of 32) were European Americans, most of the CNN International coverage centered on an Israeli and the lone African American victim.

One of Cho's teachers in the English department at VT is the "celebrated" Nikki Giovanni. Not only is her poetry at the intellectual level of a twelve year old, it is imbued with vicious racial hatred against White people and makes a call for Black

people to shed their role as "nigger" and become "real Black men" by murdering White people. Here is an excerpt from Giovanni's poem "The True Import of Present Dialog, Black vs. Negro":

Can you kill
Can you kill
Can a nigger kill a honkie
Can a nigger kill the Man
Can you kill nigger
Huh? nigger can you kill
Do you know how to draw blood
Can you poison
Can you stab-a-Jew
Can you run a protestant down with
your '68 El Dorado
(that's all they're good for anyway)...
Can you kill
A nigger can die
We ain't got to prove we can die
We got to prove we can kill
They sent us to kill Japan and Africa...
Can you kill a white man
Can you kill the nigger in you
Can you make your nigger mind die...
And free your black hands to strangle...
Can you shoot straight and
Fire for good measure
Can you splatter their brains in the
street
Can you lure them to bed to kill them...
Can we learn to kill WHITE for BLACK
Learn to kill niggers
Learn to be Black men

After reading this racist call to hate and murder by Cho's esteemed teacher, Nikki Giovanni, can you guess who was given the honor of delivering the closing remarks at the memorial service on campus for the slain 32 students and faculty? It was, of course, the same person who has advocated "shoot straight...and splatter their brains in the street."

The national media have not breathed a word about where Cho learned to hate. It came from the very same teacher and from inside the very same institution that now buries 32 of its own.

-- The David Duke Report, Issue No. 86

Front of the Line

By John DiNardo

Today, April 1, 2007, in the Denver County Traffic Court, Denver, Colorado my wife showed up, at the appointed time, as a result of a speeding ticket. When she arrived, it was announced that all non-English speaking persons would be taken care of first. The reason being that the interpreter leaves every day at the same time.

So the reward for not speaking English is, one gets to go to the front of the line.

The non-English speaking individuals did not have driver's licenses or insurance. They were given a \$35 fine. Since many of them did not have the \$35, they were also given payment terms. So, they are granted another reward for not having the money to pay the fines.

My wife, who was born in Denver, raised here, and lived here all her life, was given a \$249 fine, was not given payment terms, and had to wait until all the non-English speaking aliens were treated first.

If I understand this correctly:
1 - Let's never require non-English speaking individuals, who live in this country, to learn English.
2 - Let's never require they become citizens of the United States of America.

3 - Let's never require them to ever get driver's licenses and pray they never kill someone on the road with their driving.

4 - Let's never require they get automobile insurance, so that all of us who do will pay higher and higher premiums.

5 - Let's make sure that those of us who do get injured by these individuals pay higher and higher health insurance premiums.

6 - Let's make sure those who can pay their fines, pay big ones to subsidize all those \$35 fines on payment plans.

7 - Let's make sure we never inconvenience them or the interpreters who may have to work late.

Our Country is eroding every day right before our eyes. No country in the world has ever survived having 2 major languages. We are heading down that path. (I highlighted this because I believe it needs to be acknowledged. Does it matter to you?)

Sovereignty or submission?

By Alan Keyes

I believe that our political elite care nothing for the integrity of our borders, because they have no moral commitment to our identity as a free people. Some of them betray us because they are already "citizens of the world," intent on putting in place supra-national institutions that will replace our system of constitutional self-government. Others betray us because they serve economic interests that see huge profit in a result that cheapens labor in America through wholesale importation of foreign workers.

For these people, the American dream of liberty has been replaced by the age-old dream of global empire, the dream that animated conquering despots like Alexander, Augustus and Marcus Aurelius, Napoleon, and the architects of far-flung British hegemony. The arrogance of military prowess has been replaced by the arrogance of superior technology or organizational know-how, but the domineering premise of this elite imperialism is depressingly familiar. The people cannot govern because the elites know better than they what is to be done. Elections and other outward forms can be tolerated, but only as outward shows intended to make the people more submissive to the will of the elites.

Because the issue of border security involves an *open assault* on the sovereignty of the people, this outward show is falling apart. Events are revealing the naked reality of powers who intend to have their way no matter what, shoving aside the sham of representative government.

Will they succeed? Not if the American people themselves are still committed to self-government, despite years of corrupting miseducation and media-engineered manipulation. Will we give priority to the issues that involve our character and our sovereignty (issues of moral principle that define our capacity for freedom, issues of national integrity that defend our identity as a free people) — or will we continue to offer ourselves for easy manipulation through the media-imposed priority given to issues that focus on how our benevolent elite masters will care for us, provide for us, and regulate us for our own good, while giving license to selfish passions intended privately to console us for the loss of our true liberty?

-- June 26, 2007, excerpt from Part 6 of the "Crisis of the Republic"

"Top Cop"

As he sought to renew the USA Patriot Act two years ago, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales assured lawmakers that the FBI had not abused its potent new terrorism-fighting powers. "There has not been one verified case of civil liberties abuse," Gonzales told senators on April 27, 2005.

Six days earlier, the FBI sent Gonzales a copy of a report that said its agents had obtained personal information that they were not entitled to have. It was one of at least half a dozen reports of legal or procedural

violations that Gonzales received in the three months before he made his statement to the Senate intelligence committee.

The acts included unauthorized surveillance, an illegal property search and a case in which an Internet firm improperly turned over a compact disc with data that the FBI was not entitled to collect, Freedom of Information documents show. Gonzales was copied on each report that said administrative rules or laws protecting civil liberties and privacy had been violated.

The reports also alerted Gonzales in 2005 to problems with the FBI's use of an anti-terrorism tool known as national security letters (NSLs), well before the Justice Department's inspector general brought widespread abuse of the letters in 2004 and 2005 to light in a stinging report this past March.

Justice officials said they could not immediately determine whether Gonzales read any of the FBI reports in 2005 and 2006.

Each of the violations cited in the reports copied to Gonzales was serious enough to require notification of the President's Intelligence Oversight Board, which helps police the government's surveillance activities. None of the reports minced words.

"This enclosure sets forth details of investigative activity which the FBI has determined was conducted contrary to the attorney general's guidelines for FBI National Security Investigations and Foreign Intelligence Collection and/or laws, executive orders and presidential directives," said the April 21, 2005, letter to the Intelligence Oversight Board.

The report sent to Gonzales on April 21, 2005, concerned a violation of the rules governing NSLs, which allow agents in counterterrorism and counterintelligence investigations to secretly gather Americans' phone, bank and Internet records without a court order or a grand jury subpoena. In the report - also heavily redacted before being released - the FBI said its agents had received a compact disc containing information they did not request. It was viewed before being sealed in an envelope.

Gonzales received another report of an NSL-related violation a few weeks later. "A national security letter ... contained an incorrect phone number" that resulted in agents collecting phone information that "belonged to a different U.S. person" than the suspect under investigation,

stated a letter copied to the attorney general on May 6, 2005.

At least two other reports of NSL-related violations were sent to Gonzales.

Nonetheless, Gonzales reacted with surprise when the Justice Department inspector general reported this March that there were pervasive problems with the FBI's handling of NSLs and another investigative tool known as exigent circumstances letters.

Marcia Hofmann, a lawyer for the nonpartisan Electronic Frontier Foundation, said, "I think these documents raise some very serious questions about how much the attorney general knew about the FBI's misuse of surveillance powers and when he knew it." A lawsuit by Hofmann's group seeking internal FBI documents about NSLs prompted the release of the reports.

-- Washington Post, July 10, 2007

14 Fun Federal Agencies

1. Agriculture. Grows no crops. Cost \$19 billion
2. Commerce. Neither makes nor sells merchandise. Cost \$6 billion
3. Education. Know anyone educated by DOE? Cost \$34 billion
4. Energy. Jimmy Carter's idea,-need I say more? Cost \$17 billion
5. HHS. Includes the FDA, our most lethal agency. Whatever else HHS does, it's not good. Cost \$54 billion
6. HUD. Inventor of "the projects", destroyer of cities. Cost \$37 billion
7. Interior. An independent nation larger than France. Cost \$9 billion
8. Labor. Engages in no actual labor. Cost \$12 billion
9. Transportation. Capital of pork, Cost \$48 billion, but keep the Coast Guard
10. Corps of Engineers. Causes floods, \$4 billion
11. FEMA. Deals with the floods caused by the Corps of Engineers. Cost \$3 billion
12. EPA. If you want an important job done badly, give it to a federal bureaucracy. Cost \$11 billion
13. NASA. Challenger, Enough said. Cost \$14 billion
14. SBA They only waste a billion dollars each year, but they waste it magnificently. \$ 1 billion

-- James Ostrowski, *Political Class Dismissed*

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"We are never more than a generation away from losing our freedoms if we not fight for them constantly!" -- Ronald Reagan

Here Comes the Judge! Taurus .45/410 Revolver

By Jeff Quinn

Taurus has introduced a handgun that may just be the ideal trail gun for those who live, work, and play in the woods. There are snakes out there, folks. I don't know which one I hate most, but the cottonmouth is the only snake that I have ever had personally come after me.

There are those who look with loathing upon those who kill poisonous snakes. However, those of us who live in the Southern woods (forests, for you snake-loving high society types) must keep a careful eye out as we walk amongst the chiggers, ticks, and poison oak.

I do not kill non-poisonous snakes such as black snakes and chicken snakes, for they provide a service and do no harm. However, if I find a poisonous snake around my house, I will do all that I can to kill it, for my sake and my two young grandchildren. Now, if some short-haired, Volvo-driving, apartment-dwelling, cappuccino-drinking, Nancy Pelosi fan club chick wants to send hateful email, let the games begin. However, I really don't think that those women read Gunblast, so hopefully, I am safe.

I always carry a handgun, unless I am flying what was once termed the "friendly skies". I carry one loaded with shot loads. This new Taurus is chambered for the .410 shotshell, and packs a pretty good payload to dispatch crawling vermin. For the vermin that walk upright on their hind legs, it also chambers and fires the .45 Colt cartridge, making this a very versatile handgun. Taurus calls this five-shot revolver "The Judge", even if the name will most likely offend the type of person referenced in the preceding paragraph. It weighs in at just under 36 ounces, and packs rather comfortably holstered on the hip or across the chest.

Patterning the .410 shotshells proved, as I expected, a close range proposition. Farther than twelve feet away, the pattern opens rather quickly using 7-½ shot. Anyway at normal "A SNAKE!!!" range, the pattern is tight enough to assure a quick kill.

Using number 4 shot at closer range the Judge becomes better suited for solving social disputes of the most unfriendly kind. I see this as an ideal weapon to keep on the car seat to quickly resolve an attempted car-jacking.

At ranges farther than about twelve feet, the cylinder needs to be stoked with the .45 Colt loads.

At seven yards, the five shot cylinder placed the bullets grouped tightly together. In either single or double action the trigger pull was smooth, and the Judge was a delight to shoot. Recoil was easily controlled, and the Taurus Ribber grips took any bite out of the Judge's bark. The Judge has the "Taurus Security System" key lock, for those who like to use it. The test gun wears a three inch barrel, but longer barrels are offered. However, I think that the three inch is the better choice for social work. It is just a lot handier. The Judge also can be purchased with either two and one-half or three inch chambers, the test gun being the former. You also have a choice of blued or stainless steel. The test gun was very well finished, and functioned perfectly with all ammo tested. The barrel/cylinder gap measured .006 inch. The ejector rod is fully shrouded, and cylinder lockup was tight. The color casehardened hammer and trigger contrast nicely with the deep blue-black finish. The Judge has a nice, business-like appearance.

The Judge, with both shotshells and solid bullet .45 Colt ammo offers a lot of versatility in snake country, and can be carried for urban defense. A number four shot load followed by four hollowpoints might be just about ideal for social work

-- Gunblast.com, Feb. 19, 2007

The unFairness Doctrine

Even while we are busy defending our Second Amendment rights against efforts to enhance the Brady Law, there is a movement afoot to restrict our First Amendment rights as well.

Known as the "Hush Rush" bill or the Fairness Doctrine, there is nothing fair about it.

Better termed the unFairness Doctrine, it would radically limit the type of information you hear in the media and would greatly restrict access by Gun Owners of America to the airwaves.

Talk radio has been crucial for GOA. If we had to depend on network news alone, one would think that crime is out of control. Talk radio has given Second Amendment supporters the opportunity to present the data that more guns in the hands of the public has actually lowered crime.

On June 28, the House of Representatives voted to defund enforcement of the unFairness

Doctrine, but the vote applies only to FCC actions in 2008. Since no one thinks that the Commission would move to reimpose the unFairness Doctrine until after 2008, what is needed is enactment of S. 1748, the Broadcaster Freedom Act introduced by Senator Norm Coleman (MN).

The so-called Fairness Doctrine is openly touted as a way to squelch conservative's market-driven dominance of talk radio. For example, Sen. James Inhofe of Oklahoma reports overhearing Senators Hilary Clinton (NY) and Barbara Boxer (CA) complaining about conservatives' success in the free market of ideas on radio and said "We've got to have a balance. There's got to be a legislative fix for this."

The anti-free speech forces in Congress may want to gag talk radio because Air America, which was the left's failed attempt to compete with conservative talk radio, is bankrupt and has almost no audience. It has only itself to blame. It should not be allowed to hide behind a phony "Fairness Doctrine."

Remember, the First Amendment protects free speech, not fairness. Free speech is a constitutional doctrine; using the power of government to mandate political "fairness" is a socialist doctrine.

ACTION: Please help keep our First Amendment freedoms intact. You can use the Take Action feature to send a pre-written e-mail message to your Senators.

-- GOA Alert July 20, 2007, www.gunowners.org

NJ "Community Gun" Ban Enacted

On January 26, 2007 the governor signed a "community gun" ban which places all New Jersey gun owners and particularly NJ Licensed Firearms Dealers at serious risk when acquiring a firearm.

The new ban reads as follows in the key part:

(2) *Any person who possesses, receives or transfers a community gun is guilty of a crime of the second degree and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment by the court. The term of imprisonment shall include the imposition of a minimum term. The minimum term shall be fixed at one-half of the sentence imposed by the court or three years, whichever is greater and during which the defendant shall be ineligible for parole. As used in this paragraph, "community gun" means a firearm that*

is transferred among, between or within any association of two or more persons who, while possessing that firearm, engage in criminal activity or use it unlawfully against the person or property of another.

A firearm becomes a "community gun" when it has been "transferred among, between or within any association of two or more persons who, while possessing that firearm, engage in criminal activity or use it unlawfully against the person or property of another."

Once the firearm becomes a "community gun" it becomes a so-called HOT POTATO. Any person "who possesses, receives or transfers a community gun is guilty of a crime of the second degree and shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment by the court." **The ban does NOT limit prosecution to the original "two or more persons" who engaged in criminal activity or used it unlawfully.** The gun's status is somewhat similar to that of a stolen firearm, except the ban does not say a person has to know it is a "community gun" in order to be in violation. How is a person ever to know if a gun was a "community gun?" **Any used gun** might be a "community gun." We have to pray that the NJ Courts at least interpret the new gun ban to require "knowledge" by the defendant and that they do not interpret this as a strict liability offense. Unfortunately NJ has an infamous reputation for aggressively enforcing gun laws in the broadest possible way against honest gun owners.

The "community gun" ban is a second degree crime (up to 10 years in jail) with a minimum mandatory sentence of at least three years with no chance of parole.

-- www.evannappen.com

New Crowd Control Techniques

British defence scientists are working on a new generation of weapons which includes microwaves, lasers and chemical guns that could be used to quell riots.

One highly classified project is the "vortex gun", for use in riots, which fires a powerful, doughnut-shaped pulse of air at supersonic speed. Experts say the weapon could fire riot-control gas or other chemicals to disperse mobs or disable enemy troops.

Scientific Applications & Research Associates, a US firm that has made such a gun, said it could fire shock waves that hit people "with enough force to knock them off balance. [It] feels like having a bucket of cold water thrown on to your chest". The research involves putting high-powered lasers and micro-wave weapons on cruise missiles and planes to "kill" an enemy's own weapons, although these new arms could be banned under international treaties.

A major British defence firm, Qinetiq, is understood to be investigating weapons that use lasers to "dazzle" the enemy, a technique the US military is now said to be using in Iraq.

British defence laboratories are also understood to have tested crowd-control foams that immobilises people caught in it.

The drive to find so-called non-lethal weaponry sprang from attempts to replace the baton rounds, known as plastic bullets, which were heavily criticised when used in policing in Northern Ireland. Police now have a far wider range of "non-lethal weapons", including safer baton rounds, CS gas, Taser stun guns, pepper spray and water cannon.

Modern technologies have also made it much easier to create new arms, and Britain has a joint programme to develop military non-lethal weapons with the US, which is pouring hundreds of millions of dollars into research.

The high-powered microwave weapon fires a powerful pulse of microwaves to completely or temporarily knock out equipment such as computers, radar or guidance systems.

The lasers, which could be fitted on aircraft or unmanned aircraft called drones, would be aimed at an

enemy's electronic sensors and disable radar-guided anti-aircraft batteries.

A report by Canada's defence research agency says the UK is "one of the main players" in the world in investigating weapons using high-powered micro-waves, along with the US, France and Russia.

Many of these techniques could be highly controversial, particularly the use of lasers to temporarily blind an opponent. Britain was forced to abandon high-powered lasers to dazzle jet pilots, a technique allegedly used during the Falklands War, because it contravened new global rules outlawing devices designed to permanently disable combatants or cause someone to crash a plane.

Mark Fulop, head of the biomedical sciences department at the MoD's main defence research agency, confirmed that there is an extensive programme to find new non-lethal weapons. That included the vortex gun, which tests showed could be effective fired up to 48m [150 feet] from a target. "But it is a long way from being practical," he said. "We're watching to see what others are doing."

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor/Readers

If anyone wants to read an excellent book on our freedoms and the struggle real, traditional Americans are going through now read "The New American Revolution" by Tammy Bruce. She writes about the meaning of gun ownership, conservatives, traditional liberals. How we have been brainwashed by the far left and socialists right here in this country through movies, music, magazines and politics. A must read. Thanks, and fight for you God-given rights constantly!

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